

C-10

September 8, 2020

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute an agreement, and all necessary documents or subcontracts including any subsequent amendments extending the grant term or changing the amount of the award, with the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS), to accept and expend grant funding in an amount up to \$275,000, for the Walk and Roll Long Beach Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Initiative, for a one-year period from October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021, with the option to extend the agreement for three additional one-year periods, at the discretion of the City Manager. (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

City Council approval is requested to enter into an agreement with the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) to accept funding in an amount up to \$275,000, for the period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021, to continue the City of Long Beach Department of Health and Human Services (Health Department) "Walk and Roll Long Beach" Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Initiative (Initiative).

The Health Department uses OTS funding to promote pedestrian and bicycle safety at community events, offer free in-person and/or virtual pedestrian and bicycle safety workshops, conduct in-person and/or virtual pedestrian safety courses for older adults, encourage safe driving, and increase awareness on how to safely interact with new City infrastructure designed to promote safe walking and cycling. The Initiative builds upon an OTS-funded program initially implemented on October 1, 2016.

The Initiative is in line with the City's Mobility Element and Healthy Communities Policy, where walking and bicycling are encouraged as a form of transportation and physical activity. The Initiative also helps to achieve the goal of reducing bike and pedestrian related injuries and deaths identified in the recently adopted Long Beach Safe Streets (Vision Zero) Initiative.

This matter was reviewed by Deputy City Attorney Taylor M. Anderson on August 12, 2020 and by Revenue Management Officer Geraldine Alejo on August 18, 2020.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

City Council action is requested on September 8, 2020, to continue to provide these services without interruption.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The City will receive grant funding in an amount up to \$275,000 for a one-year period of October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021 to continue the Initiative. Sufficient funds are currently budgeted in the Health Fund Group in the Health and Human Services Department. No match or in-kind service mandate is required, and there is no local job impact associated with this recommendation. This recommendation has no staffing impact beyond the normal budgeted scope of duties and is consistent with existing City Council priorities.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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DIRECTOR
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

APPROVED:



THOMAS B. MODICA
CITY MANAGER